

**A STRUGGLE FOR SAVING THE WORLD BY CAPTAIN STEVEN HILLER IN
INDEPENDENCE DAY MOVIE:
AN INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH**



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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Study

Everyone in the world have a goal and destiny in their life as the result of struggle. It is effort that needs much energy and spends much time and our sacrifice in reaching our goal. Without working hard, we will never get our goal of life although we always pray every time in order that God will give His grants. Even He will hate human who never tries to work for his life.

Peoples have a dream that they want to reach, so that they must work hard and full of spirit and struggle to make it real. This strong desire encourages them to be more aggressive to achieve the perfect live, although they know that they have some weakness in their life. Starting from this condition the human struggles in order that they can leave the imperfect or his inferiority feeling. In addition, we realize that we cannot live alone. It means that human being is basically social creature. They live with other people in their neighborhood that need and influence each other. Society has important role in forming and developing the personality or the character of people who live in it. People are motivated by their society consciously or unconsciously. The development of the personality, either the good one or the bad one, is definitely influenced by the environment where they live in and the people they live with. The forming and development of personality have begun since the childhood. People's experiences in their childhood play the great role in

forming and developing their personality. “early childhood experiences were significant in the development of personality’ (Burger, 1986: 79).

The worlds where human being lives always change. On the one hand, this change is sometimes not realized by peoples so that they are incapable of adjusting to the new condition. On the other hand, the changing condition may bring a new better life for those who are able to follow it. The capability of the people to adjust themselves with the new condition can be seen from the way they face and solve the problems or the bad experiences can encourage human to be more mature, wise and proper.

Literature, as work of art gives possibility and easy in comprehending the realities that happen in certain society and the value system which are adhered by that community. Literature also opens our mind and experiences and also invites us to come into the world. Beside that a literary work is a model of social life reality that supports the behavior of individual interaction with others.

One of the literary works reflected by this condition is *Independence Day*. *Independence Day* is one of Roland Emmerich’s movies. It was released on July 2, 1996. The author just talks about the case in his environment. *Independence Day* tells us about the struggle of captain whose name is Steven Hiller to reach the independence in United State.

Based on the reason above, the researcher is interested in analyzing the main character’s struggle for saving the world in *Independence Day* movie. The study will be analyzed by using Alfred Adler’s theory of individual

psychology. Furthermore the researcher decides '**A STRUGGLE FOR SAVING THE WORLD BY CAPTAIN STEVEN HILLER IN INDEPENDENCE DAY MOVIE: AN INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH**' as the title of the study.

B. Literature Review

Independence Day is a popular movie directed by Roland Emmerich. The writer found no other researcher who has examined this movie especially in Surakarta. Furthermore, the writer will use the Alfred's theory of individual Psychological approach by emphasizing on the struggle of major character, Captain Steven Hiller to reach a freedom of United State.

C. Problem Statement

Based on the background, the writer formulates the problem of the study: "How is Captain Steven Hiller's struggle for saving the world reflected in *Independence Day* movie?"

D. Limitation of the Study

This study is limited to the struggle of Captain Steven Hiller to save the world and how the struggle influences his physiological development in *Independence Day* movie. This study uses individual psychology perspective. It is as means of analysis with consideration that Captain Steven Hiller psychological development is influenced by the struggle to reach the goal.

E. Objective of the Study

Based on the problem statement above, the writer scrutinizes the objective of the study as follows:

1. To analyze the movie based on its structural element by finding character and characterization, setting, point of view, style, plot and theme.
2. To analyze the movie by using individual psychological perspective.

In this research, the researcher intends to analyze the movie viewed from the psychological aspects. It focuses the researched on major character, Steven Hiller and tries to analyze his struggle and its influence on his personality.

F. Benefit of the Study

The study is expected to be able to provide the following benefits:

1. Theoretical Benefit

The result of the study is expected to be able to give theoretical contributions in literature study, particularly the application of individual psychological analysis in literary study.

2. Practical Benefit

Hopefully this study can give additional knowledge about psychological theory in a literary work, or as the reference to the other researcher in analyzing the movie into different perspective.

G. Research method

1. Object of the Study

The researcher takes *Independence Day* movie released on July 2, 1996 as the object of the study.

2. Type of the Study

This research uses descriptive qualitative method because it does

not need a statistic analysis to explore the fact. It is only focused on the analysis of technical data.

3. Type of the Data and the Data Source

The sources of data are divided into primary and secondary data source.

a. Primarily Data Source

The primary data source is the movie itself, *Independence Day* by Roland Emmerich.

b. Secondary Data Source

The secondary data are taken from articles, books, and references which relevant with this study. In addition there are also some important information such as comments, internet, essay, criticism and other relevant information.

4. Technique of the Data Collection

The method of collecting data in this research is library research by collecting and selecting both primary and secondary data and DVD. The researcher will involve some steps:

- a. Watching *Independence Day* movie repeatedly.
- b. Reading manuscript *Independence Day* movie
- c. Taking notes of important part in both primary and secondary data sources
- d. Secondary data sources taken from some internet websites which support to the topic of the study.

5. Technique of the Data Analysis

The researcher uses two kind of technique in analyzing the movie. The first is descriptive by which that the researcher interprets the text and content relating to individual psychological condition. Meanwhile the second is content analysis; the researcher reads some information within both primary and secondary data.

H. Research Organization

This research paper is divided into five chapters. Chapter I is introduction, which consists of background of the study, literary review, problem statement, objective of the study, research method and research organization. Chapter II is underlying theory involving the theory of individual psychology that will be used to analyze the data. Chapter III is structural analysis. In this chapter, the writer explains the structural elements of the novel. Chapter IV is psychological analysis. Chapter V is conclusion and suggestion.